

Place one of the new words in each of the blanks below.

1. The first time a message was _____ over a telegraph was in 1840.
 2. Can you _____ that this is your handwriting?
 3. I took a _____ to avoid traffic.
 4. We were all very _____ after the long trip.
 5. There is _____ in being a good listener.
 6. The judge listened to the burglar's _____ of not guilty.
 7. The runner and catcher were about to _____ at home plate.
 8. Tyrone was _____ that he didn't have any more work to do.
 9. When you run a company you have at least one new _____ every day to solve.
 10. Did you _____ our reservations at the hotel?
 11. We were _____ as to who murdered the wretched* old man.
 12. After having been married to Arthur for thirty years, Selma could _____ everything he was going to say.
- (NOTE: You might have used the same word in Sentences 2 and 10.)

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Which Word Means. From the list of 12 new words that follows, choose the one that corresponds to each definition below.

plea	weary	collide	confirm
verify	anticipate	dilemma	detour
merit	transmit	relieve	baffle

1. a roundabout way _____
2. that which is asked of another _____
3. come together with force _____
4. pass along _____
5. be too hard to understand _____
6. goodness; worth; value _____
7. make easier; replace _____
8. tired _____
9. make certain _____
10. a difficult choice _____
11. prove to be true _____
12. expect _____

(NOTE: The same words could be used for definitions 9 and 11.)

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Spotlight on: **dilemma**—The sport of bull fighting provides us with a vivid expression—being on the horns of a dilemma—to describe a situation in which we are faced with two choices, each equally unpleasant. It is as if we were asked to choose which horn of a bull we prefer to be gored by.